#### 01 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

**015 MAINE MILK COMMISSION**

**Chapter 26: PRODUCER MARGINS**

### SUMMARY: This rule identifies the cost of producing milk in Maine based on a study of Maine conditions.

1. **Farms at four different levels of production**. Based upon four different tiers of annual production by farms, there are four levels of target prices with respect to the cost of producing milk.
2. **Target prices**. The four short-run break-even target prices are set forth in the chart below. The average short-run break-even price for all farms is $21.94/cwt.

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| **Tier:** | **Annual Production Range:** | **Target Price:** |
| **Small Farm** | **0 – 16,790 hundredweight** | **$23.05** |
| **Medium Farm** | **Over 16,790 to 49,079 hundredweight** | **$21.44** |
| **Large Farm** | **Over 49,079 to 76,800 hundredweight** | **$20.93** |
| **Very Large Farm** | **Over 76,800 hundredweight** | **$20.21** |

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